San Francisco

San Francisco - Third Street Corridor

Transit:

San Francisco Muni Third Street Light Rail:

- Phase I adds 5.7 miles to the Muni Metro System, with 18 new stations between 4th and King streets and Visitacion Valley.
- Connects to Caltrain at its depot in San Francisco, and to BART, Muni buses and other Muni trains at Market Street.
- Phase II will extend the Third Street line north to Union Square and Chinatown, via a new Central Subway.

Development highlights:

- Mission Bay: 1,224 new housing units and portions of the University of California/San Francisco (UCSF) campus completed to date (Catellus Development Corporation)
- Bayview Commons: 29 apartments for very-low-income families (San Francisco Housing Development Corporation, 2002)

Amenities:

- New Oakdale-Palou Triangle public plaza and enhanced pedestrian connections to the Oakdale Station
- Bayview Opera House & Ruth Williams Memorial Theater
- UCSF biomedical research campus in Mission Bay
- San Francisco Giants Ballpark in China Basin
- New Mission Bay Branch Library

Planning:

- Mission Bay Redevelopment Plan (1998)
- Bayview/Hunters Point Community Revitalization Concept Plan (2000)
- Better Neighborhoods Plan for the Central Waterfront (2002)

Innovations:

 Light rail is part of the economic development strategy for San Francisco's eastern neighborhoods, along with streetscape and façade improvements, and business retention programs.

Future development:

- Mission Bay will include 6 million square feet of office space, 800,000 square feet of retail, 6,000 housing units (1,700 affordable), and 51 acres of parks and open space.
- Bayview/Hunters Point: 3,700 new housing units
 (925 below-market-rate) proposed in redevelopment area.
- Better Neighborhoods Plan for the Central Waterfront allows between 1,100 and 1,400 new housing units near Third Street.
- Schlage Lock Redevelopment: 800 housing units (15 percent affordable) and 100,000 square feet of retail, including a grocery store proposed for site near the Third Street Light Rail terminus in Visitacion Valley

